

Summer Recreation Opportunities

PALISADES Ranger District

The District office is located in Idaho Falls, Idaho – on the east side of the city on Highway 26. The area administered by the District covers approximately 450,000 acres. The District has a huge variety of landscapes ranging from bottomlands adjoining the Snake River to foothills, broad gentle slopes, numerous narrow waterways, high elevation alpine glaciated mountain peaks, cirques, talus slopes, and mountains that connect with many long, steep, parallel canyons, ridges, and slopes. The District includes portions of the Big Hole Mountains, Palisades and Caribou Ranges. The Snake River, Palisades Reservoir, Upper and Lower Palisades Lakes, and numerous streams are found on the District.

Vegetation type varies greatly between one of the largest cottonwood riparian habitats in Idaho to large open areas of grass and brush interspersed with patches of aspen and conifer. Conifer types range from scattered patches of sub-alpine fir, spruce, and limber pine to solid stands of Douglas fir, lodgepole pine, and Engelmann spruce. The area is rich in wildlife ranging from deer, elk, moose, black bear, mountain goats, mountain lions, water fowl, small game, and non-game species. Bald eagle nesting and wintering habitat is found along the Snake River. Many of the lower elevation slopes are important wildlife winter ranges. In addition to seasonal ranges, other important habitat attributes are migration routes and calving and fawning areas.

TETON BASIN Ranger District

The District office is located in Driggs, Idaho. The area administered by the District covers approximately 265,000 acres. The District has a variety of landscapes ranging from broad, gentle slopes, steep canyons and mountains, to high elevation glaciated ridges and basins perched above U-shaped canyons and troughs. The District includes scattered portions of the Big Hole Mountains, Palisades and Teton Ranges. Most of the 123,451-acre Jeddah Smith Wilderness is on this District. The eastern portion of the wilderness is adjacent to Grand Teton National Park and the Bridger-Teton National Forests.

Vegetation type varies from sagebrush-grass to juniper and mountain mahogany to stands of aspen, lodgepole pine, Douglas fir, and patches of sub-alpine and limber pine. Several streams and a few high mountain lakes are found on the District. The area is rich in wildlife ranging from deer, elk, moose, bear – both black and grizzly, bighorn sheep, wolf, snowflake, and non-game species.

LEAVE NO TRACE

Plan Ahead and Prepare

Know the regulations and special concerns for the area you'll visit. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards, and emergencies. Visit in small groups when possible. Use a map, compass or GPS device to eliminate the use of marking paint, rock cairns or flagging.

Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces

Durable surfaces include established trails and campsites, rock, dry grasses or snow. Protect riparian areas by camping at least 200 feet from lakes and streams. Good campsites are found, not made.

Dispose of Waste Properly

Pack it in, pack it out. Inspect. Pack out all trash, leftover food, and litter. Deposit solid human waste in catholes dug 6 to 8 inches deep at least 200 feet from water, camp, and trails. Pack out toilet paper and hygiene products.

Leave What You Find

Preserve the past. Examine, but do not touch, cultural or historic structures and artifacts. Leave rocks, plants and other natural objects as you find them.

Minimize Campfire Impacts

Use a lightweight stove for cooking and enjoy a candle lantern for light. Where fires are permitted, use established fire rings, fire pans, or mound fires. Keep fires small. Burn all wood and coals to ash, put out campfires completely, then scatter cool ashes.

Respect Wildlife

Observe wildlife from a distance. Do not follow or approach them. Never feed animals. Protect wildlife and your food by storing rattles and trash securely.

Be Considerate of Other Visitors

Respect other visitors and protect the quality of their experience. Be courteous. Yield to other users on the trail. Avoid loud voices and noises.

WELCOME TO BEAR COUNTRY

Here are some practical tips for traveling in bear and mountain lion country:

- Inquire about recent bear and mountain lion activity in the area.
- Let someone know where you are going and when you plan to return.
- Read all signs at the trailhead.
- Hike in groups and keep children close to you at all times. Don't hike in the dark.
- Make your presence known. Call out, clap your hands, or sing loudly, especially around loud streams, on windy days, and in areas of low visibility. Stay alert near food sources like berry patches and spawning fish.
- Carry bear pepper spray when hiking and camping, and know how to use.
- Stay on trails.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Look for signs of bear activities: tracks, scat, diggings, turn-up logs, and turned-over rocks.
- Carry a bandana, shirt or hat to drop as a distraction for an approaching bear or mountain lion. Do not drop your backpack. Keep it on for added protection.
- Avoid taking pets on hiking trails. It is not advised and sometimes prohibited. If dogs are permitted, keep them on a leash.
- Always keep a clean camp.
- Use designated camping areas.
- Store food in a bear-resistant box, hard-shelled vehicle, or car trunk. Do not leave food out when not in use. Use bear-resistant trash receptacles.
- Set up tents with space between them. Keep your sleeping area, tent and sleeping bag free of food and odors.
- Don't sleep in the clothes you wore when you cooked your food.
- Keep a flashlight handy.
- Photograph from observation areas only.
- Use a telescopic lens, binoculars, or a spotting scope to view animals. Never follow wildlife, especially bears. Maintain a safe distance.
- Avoid dead animals because bears will defend these food sources.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

To Report A Forest Fire Call Caribou-Targhee National Forests: (208) 524-7600 OR 1-800-438-8160

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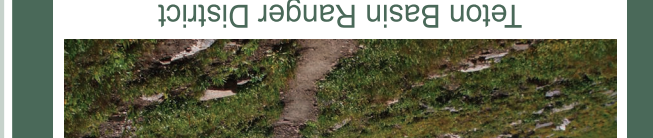
Fremont County, ID: (208) 624-4482
Madison County, ID: (208) 359-3000
Bonneville County, ID: (208) 529-1310
Teton County, ID: (208) 554-2323
Lincoln County, WY: (307) 886-5233
Teton County, WY: (307) 733-2331

Weed Free Hay

Only hay, straw, mulch or forage products which have been certified as free of noxious weeds and seeds are allowed on National Forest lands.



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Teton Basin Ranger District
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FOR MORE INFORMATION

Call or write the appropriate District headquarters for information regarding recreation facilities or other forest information.

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A WORD ABOUT WILDERNESS

Congress established the Jeddah Smith Wilderness (123,451 acres) on October 30, 1984. Congressionally established wilderness is to be devoted to "public purposes of recreational, scenic, scientific, educational, conservation, and historic use." Wilderness provides opportunities for a primitive type of recreation that includes hiking, horseback riding, photography, fishing, hunting, sightseeing. Leave No Trace camping, cross-country skiing and other activities consistent with the area's wilderness character.

Mechanical transport and motorized equipment such as motorcycles, snowmobiles, mountain bikes, chainsaws, baby strollers, or game carriers are NOT permitted in wilderness areas, unless authorized under special conditions, such as emergencies. Wheelchairs are permitted for persons with disabilities. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Ranger District Office.

TREAD LIGHTLY

Obtain A Travel Map . . .

from the Forest Service, or regulations from other public land agencies. Learn the rules and follow them.

Avoid . . .

running over young trees, shrubs, and grasses – damaging them or killing them.

Stay Off . . .

soft, wet roads and trails readily turn up by vehicles (particularly during hunting seasons). Repairing the damage is expensive.

Travel Around . . .

meadows, steep hillsides, or streambanks and ridges easily scarred by churning wheels.

Resist . . .

the urge to pioneer a new road or trail, or to cut across a switchback.

Stay Away . . .

from wild animals that are raising young – or suffering from food shortages. Stress can sap scarce energy reserves.

Obey . . .

gate closures and regulatory signs. Vandals cost tax dollars.

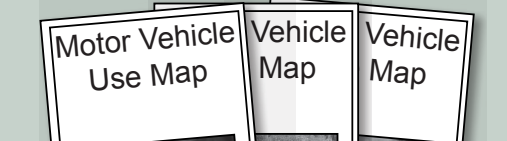
Stay Out . . .

of Wildernesses. They're closed to all vehicles. Know where the boundaries are.

Get Permission . . .

to travel across private land. Respect landowner rights.

Future opportunities for exciting travel with your recreation vehicle are in your hands, so . . . TREAD LIGHTLY!



CHECK YOUR MOTOR VEHICLE USE MAP

The Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) is a companion map to the one you are holding. It identifies the roads, trails and areas where motor vehicles are allowed. In general, motorized travel off of designated roads and trails is prohibited. See the MVUM for exceptions.

Forest visitors are allowed to park adjacent to any forest road or trail where it is safe to do so, does not damage natural and cultural resources, and is not prohibited by signage. Once parked along a road or trail, visitors may engage in other motorized or non-motorized activity, including unloading OHVs for use on roads and trails where they are allowed.

The MVUM defines where motorized access to dispersed campsites is permitted. Check your MVUM to determine if it is allowed on this forest. Motor Vehicle Use Maps are available at the local Forest Service office or at www.fs.fed.us/recreation/programs/ohv/ohv_maps.shtml

Recreation Site Information

Site No.	Name	Location	Season of Use	Days Open	No. of Campsites	No. of Group Units	Activities and Facilities
1	Holly Canyon Ski Area	B-9	Dec-Mar	1-5	1	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
2	Tahoe Road Campground	B-8	May-Oct	580	8	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
3	Fish Lake Road Campground	C-10	May-Oct	5100	1	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
4	Spring Creek Boat Ramp	C-11	May-Oct	5100	1	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
5	Fish Campground	D-11	May-Oct	5400	24	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
6	Madison Creek Campground	D-11	May-Oct	5400	24	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
7	Palisades Creek Campground	E-11	May-Oct	5000	18	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
8	Riverside Park Campground	E-12	May-Oct	5400	27	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
9	Cassidy Campground & Boat Ramp	F-12	May-Oct	4500	42	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
10	Big Elk Creek Boat Ramp	F-12	May-Oct	5800	1	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
11	Big Elk Creek Campground	F-12	May-Oct	5800	21	2	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
12	Shoshone Campground & Boat Ramp	F-12	May-Oct	5800	18	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
13	Indian Creek Boat Ramp	F-12	May-Oct	5800	1	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
14	Alpine Campground	F-13	May-Oct	5800	22	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
15	Alpine Boat Ramp	F-13	May-Oct	5800	1	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
16	Alpine Wildlife View Point	F-13	May-Oct	5800	1	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
17	McCoy Creek Campground & Boat Ramp	F-13	May-Oct	5800	18	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
18	Grand Targhee Ski & Summer Resort	G-8	Year-round	8100	1	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
19	Teton Overlook	G-8	Year-round	7100	1	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
20	Recreation Flat Group Campground	G-8	May-Oct	7100	5	3	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
21	Teton Campground	G-8	May-Oct	7200	20	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
22	South Haven Campground	H-10	May-Oct	6100	23	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
23	Trail Creek Campground	F-10	May-Oct	6000	11	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
24	Phin Creek Campground	E-10	May-Oct	6800	9	1	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

Trailhead Information

Site No.	Name	Location	Elevation	Parking	Activities and Facilities
1	Woody Swamp	C-4	5200	8	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
2	Wapinitia Creek	D-10	5100	4	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
3	Burns Creek	C-10	5150	6	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
4	Black Canyon	C-10	5300	15	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
5	West Pine	D-10	4700	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
6	Proctor Creek	D-10	4800	5	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
7	Miner Spring	C-10	4900	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
8	North Ranney Creek	C-10	4900	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
9	South Ranney Creek	E-11	5000	20	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
10	East Canyon	D-10	4800	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
11	Jim Hill	C-11	5000	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
12	South Fork Fall Creek	C-11	5000	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
13	Indian Creek	D-11	5400	5	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
14	Long Gulch	D-12	7000	15	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
15	Palisades Creek - Hikers	E-11	5000	20	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
16	Palisades Creek - Hikers	E-11	5000	20	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
17	Tay Alder	E-10	5800	5	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
18	Little Elk Creek	E-10	5800	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
19	Big Elk Creek	F-12	5800	15	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
20	Shoshone Creek	E-12	5800	15	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
21	Phin Creek	E-12	5800	15	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
22	South Star Creek	E-12	6000	5	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
23	Proctor Peak	E-10	6000	5	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
24	Big Spring	E-10	6000	5	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
25	North Indian Creek	F-12	5700	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
26	South Indian Creek	F-13	5700	15	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
27	Thunder Mountain	F-10	6100	7	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
28	Stewart	F-10	6100	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
29	Long Springs	F-10	5900	8	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
30	Indian Meadows	C-7	6200	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
31	North Leigh	G-4	7000	20	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
32	South Leigh	G-4	7000	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
33	Grand Targhee	G-4	8100	30	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
34	Mill Creek	G-4	6700	20	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
35	Big Canyon Horse Corral	G-4	7000	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
36	Teton Canyon	G-4	7000	30	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
37	Teton Canyon - North	G-4	7000	20	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
38	Mount Mansfield	D-4	6000	5	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
39	South Horseshoe	D-4	6000	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
40	Spring Creek	D-4	6000	10	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
41	Madonna Creek	E-4	6800	5	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z